

Applicant: Pasi Ahonen, et al.
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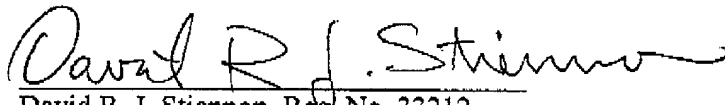
Remarks

Claims 34-72 remain pending in the application. In the Office Action dated March 21, 2003, the examiner indicated that claims 34-57 were allowable, but were objected to under 35 USC 112, and specific corrections were called for. Claims 58-72 were rejected under 35 USC 102. After these objections were addressed in the Amendment of June 23, 2003, the examiner, in the Office Action dated July 21, 2003, objected to all the claims under 35 USC 112, but did not maintain the 35 USC 102 rejections of the amended claims.

The claims have been amended to address the examiner's 112 objections. In particular, claims 34-48 have been amended to clearly be directed to an apparatus, not a method. It is noted that claims 49-57 are method claims, while the remaining claims are apparatus claims. The claims have additionally been amended to provide proper antecedent basis.

Applicant submits that no new matter has been added by this amendment. Applicant submits that the claims, as amended, are in condition for allowance. Favorable action thereon is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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